PTO/SB/08A/B (10-01)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0851-0031
Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a vaid CMB control number

OTPE Substitute
INI
WAR 0 9 2004 ST

Substitute for form 1448A and B/PTO
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(use as many sheets as necessary)

1 1 of 1

Complete if Known					
Application Number	10/681,341				
Filing Date	October 9, 2003				
First Named Inventor	PAQUET, René et al				
Art Unit					
Examiner Name					
Attorney Docket Number	2993-469US RM/JR/28				

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Exemples	Cité No.	Document Kumber Number - Kind Code ² (vi Incien)	Publication Date MM-00-YYYY	Name of Palentee or Applicant of Cred Document	Pages, Columbs, Unics Where Retoring Passages or Retorant Floores Appear
W		US-3,576,377	04-27-1971	Beanland et al	745454463
W		US-4,243,360	01-06-1981	Wright	
W		US-4,710,102	12-01-1987	Ortolano	
W	_	US-4,798,519	01-17-1989	Zipps et al	
W		US-4,822,248	04-18-1989	Wertz et al	
W		US-4,840,539	06-20-1989	Bourcier et al	
W		U\$-5.083,903	01-28-1992	Erdmann	
W		US-5,120,197	06-09-1992	Brooks et al	
W		US-5,829,955	11-03-1998	Salto et al	
W		US-6,164,916	12-26-2000	Frost et al	
CV	-	US-6,241,471	06-05-2001	Herron	
W		US-6,371,727	04-16-2002	Stangeland et al	
W		US-6,402,474	06-11-2002	Okuno	
W		US-6,491,498	12-10-2002	Seleski et al	
		US-			
		US-			
]		U\$-			
		US-			
		US-			
		U\$-			
		US-			

	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
ivigate.	CILE No.	Foreign Patent Cocurrent	Publication Date	Name of Palenties or	Pages, Celurers, Lines Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear		
		Country Coast - Number 4 - Kind CodeS (Fánoso)	MM-00-YYYY	Applicant Of Cited Decument			
α		FR-1.252.763	12-26-1960	Société Générale de	† · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Ť	
				Constructions Electriques &		Г	
	L			Mécaniques (ALSTHOM)			
						П	
	<u> </u>						
	L			-			
	L						

	f		
Examiner	110 - (- /	Date	
	1 V C V C18 1/	-	1 11-71-201
Signature	1 . 0. 0101	Considered	1 11 4 04
ــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــ	<u> </u>		<u> </u>

^{*}EXAMINER; Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ° Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ° For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 6 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ° Applicant is to place a check mark here if English tanguage Translation is attached.